

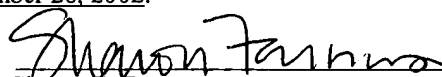


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Applicant: Scott C. Barnes et al. Examiner: Joynes, Robert M.
Serial No. 09/925,063 Group Art Unit: 1615
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Sir:

With regard to the above-identified application, the items of information listed on the enclosed Form 1449 are brought to the attention of the Examiner.

This statement should be considered because it is submitted before the mailing date of a final action under §1.113. Accordingly, the \$180 fee for consideration of the items listed on the enclosed Form 1449 should be charged to Deposit Account No. 50-1561.

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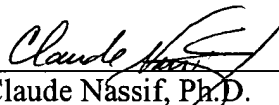
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Consideration of the items listed is respectfully requested. Pursuant to the provisions of M.P.E.P. 609, it is requested that the Examiner return a copy of the attached Form 1449, marked as being considered and initialed by the Examiner, to the undersigned with the next official communication.

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Respectfully submitted,

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